

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-19 (canceled)

Claim 20 (previously presented): The releasable cable grip connector of claim 22 wherein said wedge means has a release lever extending outwardly on each side of said wedge means through respective slots on opposite sides of said housing.

Claim 21 (previously presented): The releasable cable grip connector of claim 22 wherein said wedge means has a single release lever extending outwardly on said wedge means through said slot and said housing.

Claim 22 (currently amended): A releasable cable grip connector for locking a cable segment within a housing comprising:

a housing having a first bore therethrough to receive a first cable segment  
and a second bore therethrough parallel to said first bore to receive  
a second cable segment, said first and second bores being of a  
diameter to permit said first and second cable segments to pass  
freely through said bores, said first and second bores being straight  
throughout the extent of said housing;

a channel within said housing disposed to one side of said first bore and acutely  
inclined to and, at its inner end, breaking into said first bore;  
wedge means positioned within said housing in said channel and spring loaded

by a coil spring to bias said wedge means against said cable segment within said first bore to wedge said cable segment against said first bore and thereby grip said cable segment, said coil spring that spring loads said wedge means being positioned axially within said channel so that the force generated by said ~~core~~ coil spring acts at all times in an axial direction; a slot in said housing extending parallel to said channel and to said coil spring within said channel and communicating with said channel; a release lever fixed to said wedge means and extending through said slot to the outside of said housing whereby said release lever may be utilized to move said wedge means against the force of said coil spring away from said cable segment and permit movement of said cable segment relative to said first bore.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The releasable cable grip connector of claim 22 wherein said second bore within said housing permits said second cable segment to move freely within said second bore.